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SPORTS

THE TRUTH ABOUT SPORT
IS NEVER A KNOCKHIGH SCHOOL HAS
PROMISING SQUADTwenty-five Candidates Have
Turned Out at McKinley and
Coaches Find Good Material

The McKinley High School boys are showing spirit and pluck this year which reflect a great deal of credit on them. In previous years they have relinquished the first place in football to their rival Punahou, but only after a determined struggle. This year, however, the boys are going into the game to win, and are ably assisted by P. N. Polson, director of athletics; A. L. Hall and F. M. Friesell, coaches.

Mr. Polson deserves a good deal of credit for the interest he has shown in the team. He does not claim to be a professional coach, but each year he turns out with the boys and gives his afternoons to them, and they in turn do their best for him.

Mr. Hall is a graduate of the University of Illinois and was a star quarterback on the college team.

Mr. Friesell is a well-known athlete in Honolulu. He takes great interest in the McKinley boys and gives as much of his spare time as possible to the coaching of the football team. More Preliminary Work.

Mr. Polson has come to the conclusion that previously the boys have not had enough preliminary practice, and it is his intention this year to lay special stress on that subject. The boys will be drilled in passing, punting and special team work.

More interest has been displayed this year in football than in any year previous. Twenty-five boys turned out and they give promise of an excellent team. William Rosa, last year's captain, is showing the right school spirit by giving many of his afternoons in assisting the regular coaches. The boys appreciate this and show their appreciation by doing the best that is in them.

Dyson, last year's guard, was elected captain this year, and shows himself perfectly capable of shouldering the honor and responsibility of the position. Braak, last year's halfback, is showing up extremely well this year. Moline, former center, is trying out for the backfield this year. Hart, who played guard last year, will probably hold the same position this year. The rest of the team will be composed of new men.

Cassidy, a senior, is trying hard to make a place on the team. Last year



"BILL" ROSA.

Former High School Captain Who Is
Helping to Coach 1912 Squad.

he was laid up by an accident and was unable to play, but he hopes to make good this year.

Two Teams.

The original squad of twenty-five boys will be divided into two teams—a first and second. The first team will play a series with Punahou's first team and the second with Punahou's second.

Another series may be arranged between the classes, a team picked from the seniors and sophomores playing one picked from the juniors and freshmen. This series is looked forward to with great anticipation by the rest of the school.

A meeting was held last week to determine a definite schedule, but was adjourned without accomplishing that end. It will, however, be arranged during the coming week.

NO MARATHON RACE
FOR ANOTHER MONTH
PRESENT OUTLOOKFort De Russey Runners Willing
to Take on Soldier King but
Want Time to Train

According to Soldier King there will be no race between himself and a relay team for at least a month. King is willing to go the distance with a couple of weeks' training, but his prospective opponents need more time to prepare themselves, and from a business standpoint King thinks that a postponement would be to the advantage of all.

Yesterday the recently returned champion went out to Fort De Russey and had a chat with the three Engineer Corps men who have expressed a willingness to take him on in a 15-mile race. He says they are a likely trio, and that he quite appreciates their desire to get into better condition, and is quite willing to wait.

One of the three, Bernstein, seems to be something of an inklinger, as well as a cinder spiker, for he has come out with the following letter published in the morning paper:

"We have read of 'Soldier' King's desire to meet us in a relay race, we to run the relay and he the race. A spectacular race, indeed! Here, allow me to say that King has a little too much confidence in his ability as a runner, or else he must look upon us as being, in plain speech, no good at his game. Now, we hope some day, soon, to give him a surprise, but for the present, must stand by and look on. No one knows why, better than King, who, being an ex-soldier, must fully appreciate the difficulties one in that occupation must undergo to train for the road. His unrestricted training under the guidance of a man who knows how to train and has the liberty to keep him in the proper food for that training, gives him an advantage over us which we fully appreciate, but know we can conquer in time.

"Having been in this country, but a short while, it behooves us to become a little more used to the strength-testing hardships one must undergo while trying to make record time in this tropic land. However, giving King all the credit due him, and respecting him as a worthy man to beat in a race, allow me to state that we will be glad to have him test our mettle some later day when we will be satisfied that we are in condition to do our best. Incidentally, we made good in our nine-mile jaunt Sunday morning which, however, caused a bad swelling in the foot, that 'Cook' Moss broke while contending for mile honors with the best in the States. However, with careful treatment, we hope to have him on the road again in a short while.

—A. L. BERNSTEIN.

NOVEMBER PLAY
FOR DAVIS CUP

England's lawn tennis players are displeased with the United States. This was largely the cause of the British Isles team for the Davis International Challenge Cup matches deciding to sail directly for Australia instead of visiting this country and playing the final ties, as was done last year.

The team that will represent the British Isles is composed of C. P. Dixon, captain; A. E. Beamish, F. G. Lowe and John C. Parke. The four players sailed on September 12. They expect to arrive in Melbourne about October 21. The challenge matches for the world-famous cup will probably be played the latter part of November.

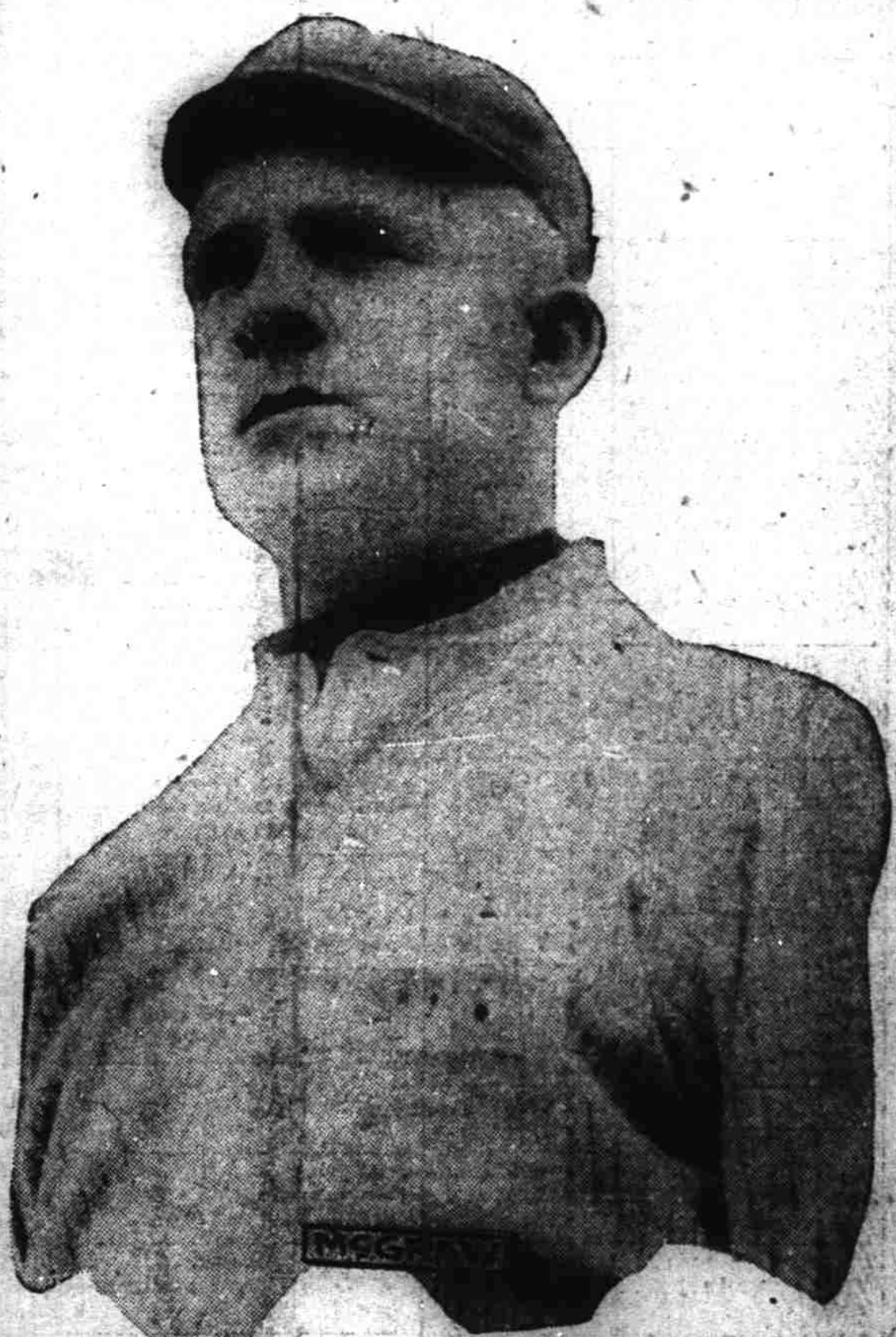
It is understood that the Australian defenders are again to rely upon Norman E. Brookes, Rod Heath and A. W. Dunlop. The singles competitions are to be looked after by Brookes and Heath, while the doubles will bring out Brookes and Dunlop, whom even the English critics regard as invincible. The Britons pin their faith in returning the cup to England upon taking both matches from Heath and at least one of the singles from Brookes, which will give the necessary three points out of the series of five matches.

"Johnny Kilbane is growing big" is the burden of a press dispatch from the east. But most of it is congregated around the neighborhood of his knob.

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PRESENT WORLD'S SERIES
MOST IMPORTANT TO DATE

THAT the series between the New York Giants and Boston Red Sox for the baseball championship of the world, which begins today, is the most important in the history of the national game, seems to be the consensus of opinion among Eastern baseball writers. From year to year, it is true, the same announcement has been made, but probably from year to year such has been the case. Baseball has not yet reached its zenith, as larger and more orderly crowds, a better brand of ball, and a more insistent demand from the general public for news of the game and the players conclusively show.

So when the baseball wisecracks come out with the announcement that this world's series will be the greatest ever, their word might as well be accepted. At that, they do not pretend to predict that the playing will be better or more exciting than in former years, but merely "that the great American public is tuned to a higher pitch of expectation, and that there is more at stake from the standpoint of both sport and finance than ever before.

The Red Sox, on account of their great work in the American League, seem to have been installed slight favorites, even in the Giants' home town, where the betting odds were quoted at 10 to 9 and as good as 5 to 4, ten days ago, when the last main news reached Honolulu. There may have been a switch in the meantime, but the Red Sox have taken such a

PLENTY OF FREAK
PLAYS IN MAJORS

CHICAGO.—There are freak plays and freak plays in baseball. Two of them which occurred within the short space of five days on Comisky Park are doubly interesting. They belong to the unusual and also furnish concrete refutation of a popular fallacy which seems to have no other foundation than tradition.

As often as once a fortnight during the playing season some other player or manager from the country or nearby prairies sends in a query seeking to know if a team in the field is not prohibited from using more than three or four men in the act of running out an opponent who has been caught between bases.

Where the idea originated cannot be guessed, but doubtless from tradition. At least it is from the same source as the ideas which still persist to the effect that a batsman is not automatically if he fails to run to first base immediately or that he can be put out if an opponent gets ball and crosses first base line ahead of the runner without touching him or the base.

Queer Mix-Up.

The Washington team, which is composed of youngsters, pulled a double play on the White Sox in the last game of their June series in Chicago, in which more than half the fielders were involved, although not all of those drawn into it actually handled the ball. The Sox had Rath on third, Lord on first and one out. Callahan hit to Johnson, who headed Rath off at the plate, and that runner ducked back to give Lord and Callahan time to advance an extra

base before he was retired. Johnson chased Rath back toward third, then tossed the ball to Foster, who ran Rath toward the plate. Now, it was the play for Johnson or McBride to take third base as soon as Foster left it. Instead the pitcher ran to the plate, where Almsmith was, and McBride remained near second.

Foster could not catch Rath, so passed the ball to Almsmith, and the catcher started running Rath back to third. Failing to overtake the runner, Almsmith made a throw toward third, but nobody was there, and Rath landed in safety. Shanks had run in from left field close behind third and got the ball quickly. Lord had advanced close to third, could not gain safety at that base after Rath returned to it, so started back to second, with Shanks in Pursuit. Shanks chased Lord and threw to Morgan at second, whereupon Lord doubled on his tracks and Shanks was given the ball again. This time he tagged Lord. While they were doing that Rath started home and Shanks threw to Almsmith in time to double up Rath at home. There were five players involved in addition to McBride, who was on the line between third and second, looking for a chance to get into the play.

BAUERSOCK WILLING
TO FIGHT MADISON

Sergeant Bauersock of the Fifth cavalry has expressed his willingness to meet Eddie Madison in a return engagement, and there seems to be no reason why these two shouldn't get together and fight out the question of supremacy, which was still undecided when Bauersock was awarded the last fight on a foul. Bauersock has covered Madison's forfeit money, put up with the sporting editor of the Advertiser, and agrees to the latter's proviso that the referee should be chosen by the sporting editors of the local papers. It now remains for the men to get together and arrange the details.

'Y' BOWLERS ARE
GOING AHEAD
WITH PLANS

The bowlers are in something of a quandary over the organization of the "Y" winter league, owing to the fact that the teams shape up somewhat unevenly, and there is a chance of its being a runaway race for a couple of them. At least, that was the burden of the discussion held at yesterday's meeting of the executive committee, when it met to complete final arrangements for the opening of the alley season.

The suggestion was made that it would be better to let the six captains draw for choice, and then let them pick from the 42 players who have already signified their desire to play, six teams of seven men each, as nearly equal in strength as possible. The original plan was to let the teams organize as they desired, and take the field intact. After an hour's talk yesterday noon, the committee could come to no definite decision, and it was decided to leave it up to the players themselves at a meeting to be held next Thursday.

There is something to be said on both sides of the question, for while it might kill the interest to have two very strong teams and four mediocre ones in the race, it would still be a race between definite clubs, not a contest between picked teams, the members of which were not held together by any ties of mutual interest or friendship. It is not unlikely that to divide up the players, breaking up combinations that played together last year and that had figured on remaining intact this season, would do more harm than good to the sport. However, it's up to the men themselves now, and they will have several days to think the problem over before being called on for a decision.

It was decided to make a short series of it, each team to play two matches of three games each, games to count, against every other team. This will finish the schedule in a couple of months, when the way will then be clear for either an individual tournament or a two-man-team competition.

The committee which met yesterday to consider the organization problems, and which is still in charge of league affairs, is as follows:

C. H. Atherton, chairman; H. V. Gear, Honolulu; R. B. Rietow, Lae; W. D. Franklin, Brunswick; Balke; C. E. White, Healanis; Jack Guard, Cosmo; A. T. Wisdom, Myrtles.

ner in the back. Seeing that, Bodie, who had gone to second, started on the run for third, but Gardner, who was backing up first base, grabbed the ball as it bounded off Weaver and kept Fournier from going home from third. Then the Yankees had two men trapped on third base, with a chance to get one of them surely and perhaps both.

Fast Thinking Needed.

Gardner tossed the ball to Stump, cutting off Bodie's retreat to second base, and the shortstop and third baseman, Hartzell, started to run down Bodie. Under cover of that play Fournier tried to sneak home, but a throw to Sweeney headed him off. The Frenchman then gave the Yankees a chase, so that Bodie and Weaver, who had returned to second and first in safety, could move up a base apiece. But the Yankees left third base and got there safely, but Weaver was on top of the keystone, and when Buck tried to retreat he found Daniels had come in from right field to take charge of that base.

The ball was thrown to Daniels, who apparently lost his head and subsequently lost the play. He started chasing Weaver toward second, but it takes a fast man to overtake Weaver. While this sprinting race was on Fournier broke for the plate again, and Bodie sneaked to third. Too late his teammates awoke Daniels, and he gave up chasing Weaver to make a belated throw to the plate, which was easily beaten by Fournier.

They have established a laundry for paper money. Has the wagon called for your bundle yet?

Tough luck. "Gyp the Blood" and "Lefty Louie" will not be able to see the world's series.

RED SOX HAVE
BEST FIELDERS
SAYS JENNINGSDetroit Manager Declared Mc-
Aleer's Fly Chasers Worth
More Than \$50,000By RALPH L. YONKER,
Sporting Editor Detroit Times.
Red Sox outfield—\$50,000.

Offered these two valuable packages, Hughie Jennings would take the players.

That is, Jennings considers Speaker, Lewis and Hooper worth \$50,000 each.

Yet Jake Stahl, manager of the Boston team, would sneer at that price. Jake says that there isn't money enough in baseball to buy these three men from the Boston club.

Jake has heard of hyperbole and has made excellent use of the figure of speech, but it is certain that he would not consider the price Jennings named. But, of course, Hughie would be the purchaser; Stahl the seller. That makes much difference.

Except for their difference in point of view, both managers are well qualified to talk of both ballplayers and high finance. Stahl is the vice president of the Washington Park Bank in Chicago, and has been in the banking business in the Windy City for four years. Jennings is a director in a Scranton bank.

Stahl will last long time. Jennings says that, barring injuries, the Sox outfield will remain intact for a star aggregation for seven years, if the men take care of themselves. They are all young men, Speaker, at the age of 23, being the oldest in the lot, and with moderate living should last until 1920.

Stahl says that all three men take excellent care of themselves, and that they will last for ten years yet in the majors. Speaker has a farm down in Texas; Lewis and Hooper come from the sunny coast of California.

Speaker is the most valuable man in the trio. He is most valuable because he is more sensational. He is the glitzy of the Boston outfield for the same reason that Cobb is the brilliant light of the Tiger yard. He pulls off more spectacular catches, he hits better and he is more speedy and daring on the bases.

Furthermore, Speaker has had the most publicity. He is the best known of the three men, and therefore is the best drawing card.

For these reasons, Tris would be worth half of the \$50,000, with Duffy Lewis bringing \$15,000 and Hooper \$10,000.

Taken all in all, this trio is worth more than any other big league outfield today.

Jake to Stand Pat.

Jake Stahl expects his team to be intact next year. While he watches the Tigers and other teams developing new men for the 1913 season, he is content with the assurance that his men are fit for another season just as they are.

But, of course, he isn't going to sleep while the season is rolling on. He is picking up youngsters, especially pitchers. He intends to make an especial effort to develop his pitching staff.

Stahl is fond of two games—baseball and banking.

Stahl himself expects to be back with the team in 1913, but he will spend the winter at Chicago banking. "Will you be banking in Chicago this year?" I asked Stahl when he was here.

"You bet I will," he snapped, quick as a wink, with enthusiasm. "We took in deposits of over a million and a half last year, and we've only been in business two years. I ought to be glad to go back, hadn't I?"

STRENGTH OF A
SPIDER'S WEB

The strength of the spider and of the materials it employs is something almost incomprehensible, when the size of the insect and the thickness of his thread are taken into account, says the New York Press. Recent experiments have shown that a single thread of a web made by a spider supported endwise a weight 74 times the weight of the spider itself.

When, therefore, a spider spins a web to let himself down from the ceiling, or from the branch of a tree, and we see him descending without perceiving his thread at all, we may be perfectly sure that he is not only in no danger of falling, but that he could carry 73 other spiders down with him on his invisible rope. Knowing this fact with reference to a single thread, we need not be surprised that the threads of a web, interwoven and reinforced one by another, have a very considerable strength, and are able to hold bees and wasps, themselves very powerful in proportion to their size, and to bend without breaking under a weight of dew or rain.

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